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New Continuation-in-Part U.S. Patent Application  
Title: METHOD OF INCREASING THE EXTENT OF  
ABSORPTION OF TIZANIDINE  
Inventors: Cara A. PELLEGRINI et al.

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 40 pages, including title page, 14 independent claims, 39 claims total, and Abstract page.
2. Drawings - one (1) sheet of drawings (Figure 1).
3. Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
4. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ 750.00
	Number of Claims	Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	39	-	20	19 x \$18		342.00
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5. This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Office regarding the date for submitting the application filing fee.
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This application is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/994,837, filed November 28, 2001. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

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